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Station	No. 1 Local	No. 2 Through Express	No. 3 Local	No. 4 Through Express	No. 5 Local	No. 6 Through Express	No. 7 Local	No. 8 Through Express	No. 9 Local	No. 10 Through Express	No. 11 Local	No. 12 Through Express	No. 13 Local	No. 14 Through Express	No. 15 Local	No. 16 Through Express	No. 17 Local	No. 18 Through Express	No. 19 Local	No. 20 Through Express
CANTON (Old Line Trn)	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
SHEN LUG	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
Shen Chai	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
Shen Chai	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
Shen Chai	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
Shen Chai	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
Shen Chai	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
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Shen Chai	5.00	5.15	5.30	5.45	6.00	6.15	6.30	6.45	7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	8.00	8.15	8.30	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45
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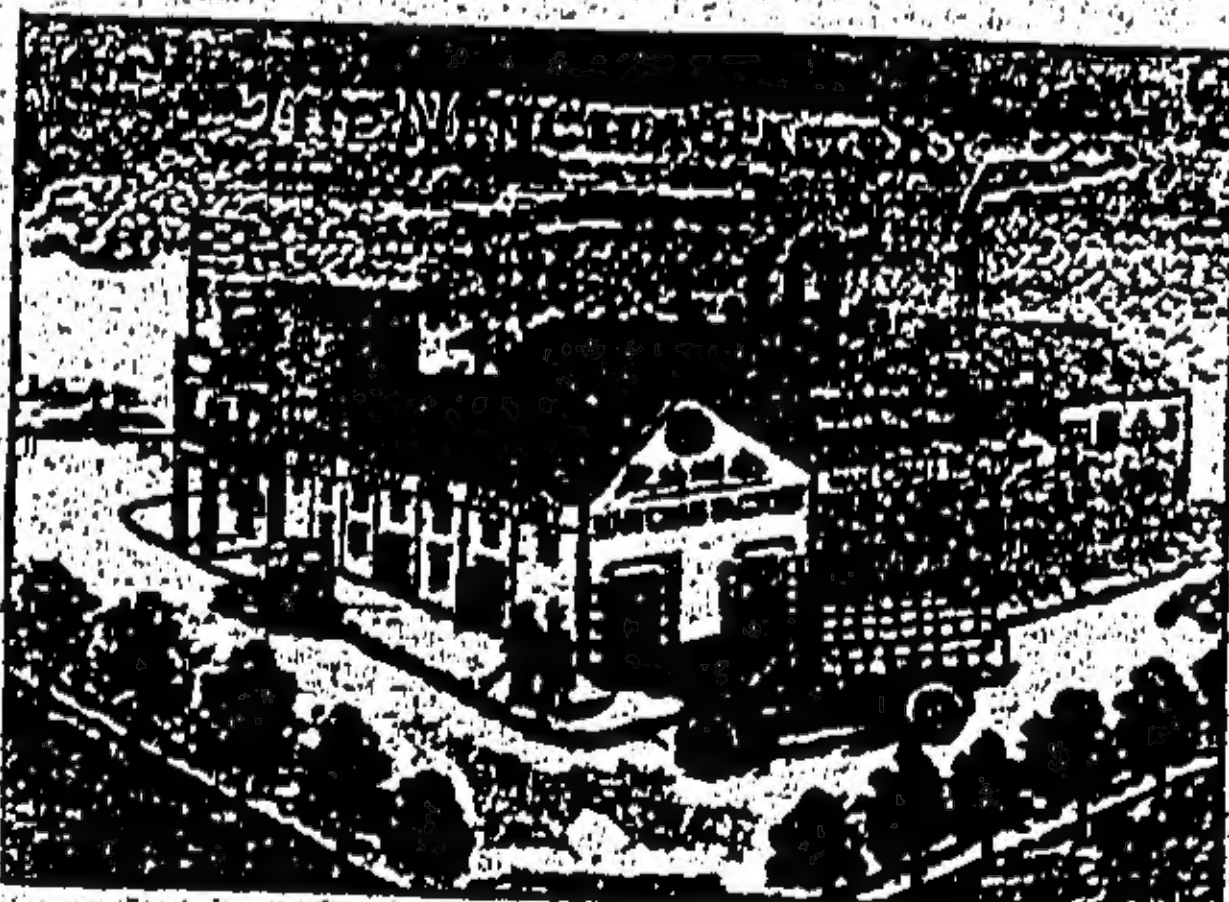
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GERMANS IN MEXICO.

LETTER FROM A GERMAN RESIDENT.

The German's native gift for research, which drives him to pursue the *Ursachen* before attempting to cope with its effects, makes it essential to his peace of mind to erect a foundation of "principal original causes" in the past whereon present experience may be based. He must match the sample of the present event with a previous pattern. If no adequate *Ursachen* are secured up by his earnest stalking, he will take the facts which do appear and skin them until they look as much like reasons as anything else. The result might be called a profound candour. And sometimes, delightfully, the Teutonic huntman comes home with a bag like this: "Among the great reasons for Mexico's neutrality in the war, I find her utter lack of a merchant marine, which resulted in the failure of German submarines to sink any Mexican vessels." Thus we reach the startling conclusion that the *Hauptursache* for Germany's sinking our ships was that we had ships. It is an entertaining and half incredible letter which Herr John Mez writes from Mexico to *Die Friedens-Warte*, published at Zurich. This paper, as its name indicates, is truly pacifist but the march of circumstances in wartime Mexico is chronicled with an engaging detachment—the illustrious Von Eckhardt wore gold lace, and as to his discretion you may draw your own conclusions. The commun. was penned in July and has just reached America by way of Switzerland. Its purpose is to take advantage of the newly lifted censorship by speeding to Deutschland a collection of interesting items regarding Mexico's neutrality. For instance: "German residents here have ardently made their gratitude to the Mexican Government for its friendly attitude toward Germany visible in the form of a special letter of thanks from the Association of Loyal Supporters of the Empire. Moreover, to Envoy von Eckhardt, long since recalled, a *Dankeschreiben* from the German colony has been sent wherein recognition is expressed of the fact that he kept Mexico neutral." But, says Herr Mez, "in truth, it is of course not the services of a single diplomat, nor yet the will of the Mexican Government which kept this country neutral. It is rather a chain of circumstances which came to pass quite without the influence of solitary personalities." One of these was "Mexico's economic and military inefficiency, making it out of the question for her to presume to approach Germany in the guise of a belligerent power." (After such a sentence the presumption of Guatemala becomes appalling.) Another was the fact that "the Allies are said to have given the Mexican Government to understand that Mexico's entry into the war was thoroughly undesired." The greatest of all, as has been said, was Mexico's lack of boats to sink. But as far as the outcome of the war is concerned, it is just the same whether Mexico were neutral, or not.

The address of thanks to Herr von Eckhardt, however, really asked a good deal of that gentleman's temperament, "since he is a typical Junker of the old school, who has never displayed the slightest trace of anti-war sentiment." In the peaceful future, nevertheless, "Germans will take it as a matter of course that their envoys and officials shall do everything in their power to avoid war, without regarding their endeavours to fulfil this primary duty as occasions for deluging them with gratitude." "It would be too sad to believe that we should be forced to admit that it rests in the hands of soldiers and statesmen to make or avoid war. And we cannot say that Herr von Eckhardt was so incompetent a diplomat that he could not have kept the United States neutral. Look at Herr von Eckhardt! He knew well enough how to insure Mexico's neutrality." There are about 5,000 Germans here in Mexico, the writer continues, and to these must be added a considerable number of German refugees from Cuba, Guatemala, and so on. Now during the war a German propaganda was instituted, whose object was to make Mexico pro-German and keep her so. At first this propaganda was entirely successful, but its effectiveness finally waned, and in the long run it did far more harm than good to the reputation of the German people. For the methods of this campaign, financed, of course, from the German treasury, were soon characterized by certain indiscretions. Thus, much "news" was given to the press on the American border, in Nuevo Laredo, which had been manufactured in Mexico and then served up to the public as wireless dispatches. At last, after an account of a violent pro-German demonstration in Alamo, the Mexican Government had to forbid the dissemination of such falsehoods.

The damage we still quote—that this German propaganda wrought in the heads of some Germans was boundless. It became obnoxiously visible at the time of the German collapse last November. When the news of the armistice came, several German firms decked the capital with flags. Two days later a celebration was held in the *Deutsches Haus*, at which Envoy von Eckhardt appeared in full uniform. A few better informed German gentlemen succeeded at the last minute in restraining him from making an ill-advised speech glorifying the victory of German arms. On the day following, news of the cessation of the armistice was "officially" announced. Hindenburg had placed himself at the head of the German troops; the fleet had gone forth to show the English what a decisive battle meant, etc. When the truth could no longer be hidden, a propaganda was still persistently conducted for four months which, to me, a German, was distinctly repulsive. The Kaiser was exalted in the most swash-buckling fashion—even in poems. His abdication was represented as a patriotic deed, and, to crown all, on January 27th, a birthday festival of the most ostentatious sort, in the Kaiser's honour, took place.

Invitations to this function were openly issued in the *Deutsches Zeitung* von Mexico, to the intense exasperation of Americans, Frenchmen and Englishmen living here. In the forenoon an imposing Mass was held in a great Catholic church, and in the evening there took place in the *Deutsches Haus* a celebration, with music, festsal addresses and so on. Now it may be all right for people to adhere to the Kaiser personally as closely as they like. One fact is nevertheless established: the German people in overwhelming majority have spoken for democracy, and therefore in taking part in celebrations of this kind one does not exactly identify himself with the German people. It turned out that most of the adherents of the empire did not appear at this celebration, although most of them went to the Mass. But in the evening a private celebration was held in the house of the German envoy, at which the guests were regaled with a poem wherein the Kaiser was once more exalted.

One phase of the German propaganda in Mexico is particularly aggravating to those who understand the condition of German politics. As a proof of earlier glorious conditions in the empire, the blossoming of the *Friede-Demokratie* press has been cited, with exact statistics: 1900, only so and so many papers; in 1910, on the other hand, twice as many, or something of the kind! Naturally, nothing was said of the way in which these papers have always been fought and oppressed by the officials.

And even to-day (the surprising story goes on) the leading Germans in Mexico are conducting a German propaganda, founded mainly on reports from the *Deutsche Tageszeitung*, the principal jingo paper, which purports to give out the truth about political developments at home. In this the Kaiser is forever referred to as a "greater Mann."

The minds of the Germans here are always being frightfully perturbed. A few days ago the first of those who took part in the war on the German side returned, and the German organ immediately published a statement from these eye-witnesses that affairs in Germany were really not half so bad as they usually were made out to be, and that in about five years "everything would be forgotten." (This, it should be remembered, was in July. Most people will be surprised that warriors from Germany were coming back to Mexico at that late date.)

The warlike spirit which has been spreading over the United States since it took part in the European conflict is becoming hard to hold in check. There is a special organization in New York, supported by the financial interests, the furnishing powder, munitions, and all sorts of war supplies—which is devoted to the detriment of the American people to war against Mexico. Conditions in the interior are nothing less than frightful. In the mountains are numerous parties of robbers. Fighting takes place daily. Especially horrible are the frequent raids on railroads, lonely inns, and other small places; the cattle stealing; and the carrying off of well-to-do inhabitants, who are mostly released after the payment of a very high ransom. It has been reported that a great many German emigrants are coming to Mexico. If there are not too many of them, they may well settle in this remarkable land, which is four times as large as Germany. But it will by no means be easy for them to begin a new existence here. The full effect of this war will be felt by us Germans in future years!

THE LONDON POLICE ABROAD.

APPLAUSE FROM WARSAW CROWDS.

The members of the London Police Force who have been sent to Warsaw to assist in remodelling the Polish police have been very busy since their arrival. It is proposed to modify the present methods and organization of the Warsaw police on British lines, and endeavour to make them by degrees a model for the rest of Poland to copy.

The Warsaw police, like many other institutions in Poland, was improvised with very little other material than patriotic zeal and the training of its members was rudimentary in the extreme. The Germans made the newly created force perform all sorts of duties which are not generally considered to come under the heading of police work; making of them registrars, scavengers and messengers, as well as guardians of law and order.

The Mission is working by districts and is now in a typical district of the Jewish quarter. The British inspectors go through the whole routine of the day with their "opposite numbers" in order to show them what their duties are and help them to instruct the constables. The three inspectors, typical specimens of the London police officer, have made quite an impression in the streets of Warsaw. One of them was responsible the other day for suppressing a small riot in a potato-queue and rescued a girl from ill-treatment amid the applause of the crowd.

The Warsaw police at present get no more than is paid to the unemployed for unskilled labour on public works. It is barely enough to live on, and the temptation to corruption is very great. It has been proposed to reduce the force by two-thirds and to make the pay, by the probable result, would be a strike by Government employees in all other departments for a corresponding increase in salary.

Fines and punishments for certain minor offences can now be inflicted by police officials themselves. This leaves another opening for corruption when pay is bad. General Macready has recommended the institution of police courts like those in London. Unfortunately this step would involve drastic alterations in the Polish police law, which was drafted just before the Mission came to Poland.

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TO-DAY (SATURDAY),

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SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

and therein contained, and comprising:—

Sideboard, Dining Table and Chairs, Bookcase, Blackwood Cabinet, etc., Double Bedstead and Cot, Large Wardrobe, Dressing Table, etc., etc.

Also
Victrola with Records,
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TUESDAY.

January 20th, 1920, commencing at 2.30 P.M. at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

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CARPETS, GLASS, PLATED WARE,

and therein contained, and comprising:—

Large Chesterfield Sofa and Arm-chairs (new), Folding Card and Occasional Tables, Upholstered Suite, Teakwood Bedroom Furniture comprising Bedstead, large and small Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Washstand, Bookcase, etc. (Jungled Teakwood), Sideboard, Dinner-Wagon, Extension Dining Table and Chairs, etc., Dinner Service, Cookery, and Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, etc., Bath Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware.

Electric Reading Lamps, Teakwood Screens, a Sundry of Blackwood Furniture, Blackwood Fire Screens, etc., Side Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures, etc., Carpets new and second-hand, Curtains, etc.

Also
One Good Piano by Dornier & Sohn, Stuttgart, and One Challen Piano, One Victrola with Records (nearly new) One Gem's 8 speed Hub Brook Bicycle good as new, One 16-Bore Sporting Gun One Mikasa, Tennis Balls, etc., etc. and One Heavy Silver Tea Service.

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and therein contained, and comprising:—

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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THE Steamship

"KWAISANG"

saving arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd Jan., will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1920. [260]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"POLYPHREMUS"

FROM NEW YORK via SUEZ

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after Jan. 16th.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after Jan. 22nd, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before Feb. 5th, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, January 16th, 1920. [261]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's steamer

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after January 22nd, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before February 5th, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, January 16th, 1920. [262]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM, Etc.

THE Steamship

"GLENSTRAE"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by Jan. 22nd, 1920, will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on Jan. 22nd, 1920, at 10 A.M.

Claims against the Steamer must be presented within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [264]

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

THERAPION No. 1

THERAPION No. 2

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INTIMATIONS

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ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 17th, 1920
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G. GERRARD,
Hon. Secretary,
H.K.F.C.
Hongkong, January 12th, 1920. [218]

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

A MEETING of KOWLOON RESIDENTS will be held in the CHAIRMAN'S ROOM, CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 20th, at 5.15 P.M. for the purpose of inaugurating the "Kowloon Residents' Association," the principal object of which is the betterment of conditions of residence in Kowloon and the adjacent territories.
All Kowloon Residents, both Ladies and Gentlemen, interested in the movement are invited to attend, and anyone wishing to join the Association who have not already done so, please send their names to Mr. B. L. FOSTER, 1, Kimberley Villas, Kowloon. 199

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

G. R. H. NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are warned that dogs without collars found at large after 10 p.m. are liable to be destroyed by the Police.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.
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LOST.

BROOCH, DIAMOND 63. Reward given if returned to MRS. LE HUQUET Mount Austin Barracks.
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OFFER

INVITED FOR PURCHASE STEEL STEAMER, built 1918 to Lloyds Survey, length 153 ft., beam 24 ft. 3 in., depth 13 ft. 6 in., Tonnage, Displacement 380 tons, loaded draft 11 ft. 3 in., 484 tons, light draft 5 ft. 8 in., Gross 480 tons, Net 241 tons, Deadweight 456 tons, Cargo 438 tons, Capacity 21,000 cubic feet, Bunkers 70 tons, Water Ballast 33 tons, Speed Loaded Draft 10 knots, Consumption 14 tons, Engines C.S.C. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 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GOVERNMENT HILLS, ETC.

TENDERS for SPECIFIC current in SHANGHAI and TIENTSIN, up to and for the sum of \$50,000, to be made in Shanghai and Tientsin, will be received by the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT, until 11.30 A.M. on January 17th, 1920.

The amount accepted is to be placed by the tenderer to the credit of an account with the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Shanghai and Tientsin, so as to be available on January 20th, 1920.

Persons tendering to state alternatively:

(a) The amount of Hongkong currency payable in Hongkong on January 20th, 1920, required for each \$1,000 Shanghai and Tientsin currency and/or

(b) The amount of Dollars current in Shanghai and Tientsin per \$100 for Telegraphic Transfer on the London Commission of B.M. Treasury, London.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT HILLS, ETC."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that, having regard to the provisions of the Acts 21 George III, Cap. 45 and 47, George III, Cap. 51, the acceptance of any such tender is subject to the express condition that no member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in, or to any benefit to arise from the Contract, thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills).

The provisions in question do not apply to Companies entered into by any incorporated Company in the Corporation, and made for the purpose of raising the money for the purpose of the Government of the Company.

Any further information can be obtained by general application to the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, A.P.D.

F. J. THURSBY-PELHAM, Lieut.-Colonel, Treasury Chest Officer, A.P.D., The Majesty's Treasury Office, Hongkong, January 17th, 1920. [182]

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

(MARATHON RACE SUB-COMMITTEE).

MARATHON RACE.

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To be run on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21st, 1920.

COURSE (about 11 miles).

OUT—St. John's (Opposite Queen's Statue), past Hongkong Club and Law Courts, up Garden Road to Public Gardens, past Government House, along Causeway Road to University, and thence along Pokfulam Road to junction with Jubilee Road.

HOME—Along Jubilee Road to Kennedy Town Slaughter House, thence on to Praya Water Front, along Water Front to Fleming Post opposite Hongkong Club.

Race Stewards will be posted along the course.

CONDITIONS:—Go as you please. NO STOPPING. Minimum clothing: singlet & shorts.

Prizes (trophies) according to number of entries.

Intending Runners are requested to send name, rank (if any) and address to:

G. G. N. TINSON, Esq., Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Boxing Association, c/o JOHNSON, STOKES & MAXSON, Prince's Buildings, 100, Queen's Street.

Details as to drawing for places etc., will be published in these columns.

ENTRIES close on SATURDAY, January 21st, at 12 Noon.

H. J. GEDGE, F. J. VENNY, J. C. WILSON, G. G. N. TINSON, Marathon Race Sub-Committee.

INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of JANUARY, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following Resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions:

(1) To consider, and if thought fit, approve the draft new Articles which will be submitted to the Meeting.

(2) That the Capital of the Company be increased to Three million dollars (\$3,000,000) by the creation of Two hundred and forty thousand (240,000) shares of Ten dollars (\$10.00) each, ranking for dividend and in all other respects on a par with the existing shares in the Colony.

And in the event of the First Resolution being passed with or without modification.

(3) To consider, and if thought fit, to pass an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect: That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 18th day of February, 1920, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions the above mentioned Extraordinary Resolutions (2) and (3).

And the aforesaid Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of \$500,000 standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and accordingly that for the purpose of effecting such capitalization a bonus of \$10 per share on each of the issued shares of the Company be and the same is hereby declared and that the Board be and they are hereby authorized to satisfy such bonus by the distribution of shares of the Company to the holders of shares of the Company, the said bonus of one of the unissued \$10 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up in respect of each share of the Company held by such persons as aforesaid and in satisfaction of such aforesaid bonus, and that such shares rank for dividend and in all other respects as from the first day of March, 1920."

Drafts of the new Articles of Association may be seen at any time before the second meeting, except Saturdays and Sundays, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, or at the Office of Messrs. Johnston, Stokes & Maxson, Principals' Buildings, Hongkong, the Company's Solicitors. Dated this 15th day of January, 1920.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents. [233]

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHISON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, JANUARY 22nd, 1920, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, January 19th, to THURSDAY, January 22nd, 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, Ltd.,
MOWBRAY, NORTHCOTE,
Secretaries.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [183]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHISON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, JANUARY 22nd, 1920, at 11.45 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, January 19th, to THURSDAY, January 22nd, 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY, NORTHCOTE,
Secretaries.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [180]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHISON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, JANUARY 22nd, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, January 19th, to THURSDAY, January 22nd, 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY, NORTHCOTE,
Secretaries.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [184]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRETH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from January 17th to February 10th, 1920, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [241]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE have This Day REMOVED our Office to No. 2, CORNHILL ROAD, CENTRAL—(next to the Telegraph Co.'s Office).
J. M. DA RUCHA & CO.,
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [130]

NOTICE.

WE have established a Branch Office in Sydney with Mr. ARTHUR NICKELLIS BISHOP as the Manager thereof.

THE HONGKONG MERCHANTILE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [256]

NOTICE.

WE are in receipt of the following cable from Head Office:
SUN LATA ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA, Hongkong.
New Business in 1919, OVER HUNDRED MILLIONS TON.

This means an increase of 100% over 1918.

F. M. WELLES,
Manager.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [257]

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

CERTIFICATES Nos. 1448 and 2336 for \$ and 1,000 silver shares Nos. 10548/10550 and 10188 respectively standing in the books of the Society in the name of EDWARD WILLIAM MATTARS of YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, have been declared LOST and if at this expiration of one month from the date hereof the above documents be not forthcoming the same will be deemed cancelled and of no effect.

C. H. P. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [257]

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Persons applying for Licenses under the ARMS and AMMUNITION ORDINANCE should do so between the hours of 9 A.M. and 11 A.M. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Application to be made at the Licensing Clerk's Office, Central Police Station.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.
Hongkong, January 15th, 1920. [255]

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17th.

TEA DANCING—From 4 P.M. to 7 P.M.

DINNER DANCING FROM 8 P.M.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18th.

AFTERNOON AND EVENING ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS.

J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

In connection with tea and dinner dances motor buses will leave the Hongkong Hotel at the following times, punctually, irrespective of the number of tickets sold—

DEPARTURE. RETURN.

3.15 P.M. 7 P.M.

7 P.M. 11 P.M.

8.30 P.M. 12 MIDNIGHT.

Tickets can be obtained at the Hongkong Hotel or Dragon Motor Car Co. at 4/6 return fare.

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W. COWPER & SON,
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For the Sale and Purchase of STEAMERS, TUGS, SAILING VESSELS, AND DREDGING FLAAT.

Shipping and Commission Agents, 226, Collins Street, Melbourne, Australia. Cable: "Zephyr," Melbourne.

Correspondence Invited. [185]

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Distinctive in Favour.
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A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. BARRETT and family beg to tender their thanks to friends for the kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement, also for the floral tributes.

Hongkong Office: 104, Des Voeux Road, C.
London Office: 121, Pall Mall, S.W.1.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 17th, 1920.

POLITICAL CONDITIONS IN GERMANY.

We have been getting singularly little news of late concerning the political conditions in Germany, and, as no news is generally assumed to be good news, it is rather startling to be told now of "strange reports" by travellers from Germany that the German Government is overthrown, that Socialists are masters of the situation, and that a general strike has been declared throughout the unoccupied territory. It is not easy to understand why news of a more definite and authoritative character is not forthcoming, if there is any truth at all in these reports. The German territory occupied by foreign troops can scarcely have remained unaffected by developments so sensational. In the circumstances we may well hesitate for the moment to believe the reports. We noticed recently that the *Frankfurter Zeitung*, which is usually regarded as a serious and well-informed German newspaper, was moved to protest against what it described as a system in the dissemination of rumours designed to persuade the nations that "reaction has again taken the upper hand in Germany." It is certainly to be feared, it said, that it has yet passed through, are in store for the young German Republic.

"And if reaction now once again raises its head with more assurance, the whole external political situation enhances the internal political necessity for parties forming the majority to unite closely in order to combat reactionary influences."

with their united strength. There must be no question now of minor points. The very existence of the German Republic is at stake. This, at least, was a very frank admission that Germany has been standing, as it were, on the brink of a political volcano. But it was obviously not an outbreak of Socialists that the *Frankfurter* feared, as much as the danger of a monarchical and military reaction, for the occasion for the warning related to "quite fantastic reports" in foreign newspapers of excesses in Berlin on the occasion of the recent visit of HINDEBURG. It may be noted that the sensational report just to hand follows upon the exchange of ratifications of the Treaty, and it cannot be regarded as improbable that this has been the occasion for further commotion in Germany. As a recent cable reminded us, from the date of the exchange of ratifications Germany must in ten days evacuate Schleswig. In fifteen days she must evacuate Western Prussia. In one month she must hand over the Germans charged with war crimes. In two months she must dismantle the fortifications in Western Germany. In three months she must reduce her Army to 200,000. In six months she must reduce the Fleet to the stipulated maximum strength. By the way in which these conditions are fulfilled we shall be able to judge of the authority the Government at Berlin exercises, as well as of its honesty of purpose. It will, no doubt, have to encounter a great deal of reluctance, if not open opposition, on the part of the

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES
(THROUGH ROUTES'S AGENCY.)

THE NEW ERA.

ANXIOUS PROBLEMS STILL AWAITING SOLUTION.

LONDON, January 15th.

The newspapers echo the King's prayer that the ceremony on Saturday will open an era of unbroken peace, but dwell on the anxious problems still awaiting solution.

The *Daily Telegraph* says:—This is no time for triumph or soaring hopes. The delay in completing peace with Germany is less disquieting than the graver questions involved in the omission of American and Russian signatures in Saturday's *proposals*. The problems of re-settlement are in the East.

The *Morning Post* says that the Germans are naturally anxious to discover what their relations will be with Britain. The immediate issue being a business one, it is essential that Britain's fiscal policy be formulated without delay.

The *Daily Express*, while insisting on non-evasion of the terms, says that the Allies, if they wish to reap the fruits of victory, must permit Germany in a measure to recover to enable her to fulfil her undertakings.

FEELING IN AMERICA.

New York, January 15th.

The ceremony in Paris has impressed the Americans with the consciousness that they alone are still warring with Germany. The Senators have been flooded with appeals to agree to a compromise on the Treaty.

GERMAN PRESS OPINION.

Berlin, January 15th.

The *Local Anzeiger* brands a special peace supplement "Under the peace yoke."

The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* enlarges on the limitation of German sovereignty.

Freiheit talks about the yoke, and sees the hope of the British worker alleviating it.

Vorwärts exhorts courage for peace and hopes the Treaty will be revised. It calls for a last defensive struggle in connection with the plebiscites.

The *Tages Zeitung* deals with German irreducibles.

The *Taeplische Rundschau* says:—"Our aim must be the removal of this work of peace."

HOME TO TOKIO.

ITALIAN AVIATORS REACH VALONA.

London, January 15th.

A Rome message states that Lieut. Scavini and Banalumi, piloting a Caproni aeroplane from Rome to Tokio, arrived at Valona and are proceeding to Salonika immediately.

BRITISH STEAMER WRECKED.

LOSS OF THIRTY-THREE LIVES FEARED.

London, January 15th.

The cargo steamer *Trevail*, from Calcutta, with a cargo of jute and manganese, was wrecked off Weymouth. Seven survivors were rescued. It is feared that 33 perished. Twenty bodies were washed ashore.

THE WAR ON BOLSHIEVISM.

THE SOLE RAMPART IN EASTERN EUROPE.

COPENHAGEN, January 15th.

The Bolshievists are transferring their troops to the Lettish-Polish front, which is now the sole rampart of anti-Bolshievism in East Europe.

The Lettish Army is daily getting stronger. Britain and France are helping to provide equipment.

U.S.A. AND GERMANY.

ARMISTICE CONDITIONS STILL PREVAILING.

WASHINGTON, January 15th.

The United States has formally notified Germany in connection with the exchange of ratifications, that the conditions of the Armistice still govern the relations between the United States and Germany.

RAILWAY SITUATION AT HOME.

GOVERNMENT PRINCIPLE ON THE GENERAL PRINCIPLE.

London, January 15th.

The meeting of the railwaymen with Sir Eric Geddes this afternoon lasted 2 1/2 hours. It is reliably stated that the proceedings were of a very friendly and frank nature.

Sir Eric Geddes stated that the Government was prepared to make very substantial concessions, but was not willing to yield on the general principle. The Cabinet was anxious that the railwaymen should give the new scheme a fair trial.

Mr. J. H. Thomas thanked Sir Eric Geddes for carefully considering the men's objections to the Government's proposals, and said that the matter would be fully submitted to a meeting of delegates this evening, and the National Union of Railwaymen would subsequently reply to the Government's new offer.

Sir Eric Geddes emphasised that the Cabinet was anxious to reach a settlement acceptable to all parties. Mr. Thomas replied that the National Union of Railwaymen would do all it could to help towards this end.

DELEGATES UNCOMPROMISING ATTITUDE.

London, January 15th.

Although the railway position is indefinite, the adjournment of the discussion upon the Government's reply is regarded as a hopeful sign.

The delegates participated in a very lively four-hour debate without coming to any decision.

Some of the delegates emphatically declared that mere modifications of detail and the removal of certain anomalies would not meet the demands of the branches, and only the Government's acceptance of the principle of standardisation based on the highest wages plus war bonus, and the Government's abandonment of the sliding scale, would justify the delegates voting for a settlement.

Meanwhile, the official organ of the National Union of Railwaymen partially lifts the veil over last week's proceedings. The organ publishes an official report of the meetings, showing that only one item of the Government's offer was accepted, namely, the standardisation of railway work by the elimination of a large number of grades.

The meeting resolved to demand standardised wages based on the highest rate of wages, plus the war wage, in each grade concerned. It rejected the principle of a sliding scale based on the cost of living, because the cost of living is not the only factor on which wages should be fixed, and because it would tend to stereotype the present standard of comfort and prevent any improvements being obtained, irrespective of how the productive forces of society may improve. It demanded that a large number of railwaymen excluded from the proposals should be included, also that any settlement should be applicable, also, to Irish railwaymen.

The decisions were communicated to Sir Eric Geddes, who wrote observing that the delegates had thrown over the results of the whole three months negotiations, and reverted to the original demands, which the Government had decided could not be conceded.

SEDITION IN THE STATES.

ANTI-SEDITION BILL PASSED BY SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 15th.

The Senate has passed an Anti-Sedition Bill, providing for a maximum fine of \$500 and seven years' imprisonment, and, in the case of Aliens, subsequent deportation, for acts or propaganda with the object of overthrowing the Government by violence.

The measure now goes to the House of Representatives.

OBITUARY.

SIR JOHN M'CALLUM.

London, January 15th.

The death is reported from Paisley of Sir John M. McCallum, Liberal M.P. for Paisley since 1906.

FRENCH ELECTIONS.

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION IN PARIS.

Paris, January 15th.

A Havas message states:—

The interesting situation arising in next Saturday's Presidential election in France, and the fact that M. Poincaré has now available his seat in the Senate, continues to be the main topic of discussion in Paris. A *coup de theatre* took place in the Chamber of Deputies when M. Deschanel, after being re-elected President, was granted a tremendous ovation with shouts of "A Versailles!"

After the sitting of the Chamber, M. Deschanel said that he would not try to escape from the duties imposed upon him if he were assured that the Senate would give him as many votes as the Chamber.

M. Leon Bourgeois was elected President of the Senate by 167 votes against 125 votes for M. Antonin Dubost. (M. Antonin Dubost had been President of the Senate since 1906.)

BOLSHIEVIE CHAOS IN AUSTRIA.

ARMED COMMUNISTS' ACTION IN VIENNA.

Paris, January 10th.

Reports from Vienna state that armed Communists have dissolved the Municipal Council and have declared the abolition of private property and the socialisation of industry.

The demonstration of workers fixed for January 15th, it is feared, will be a prelude to Bolshievie chaos unless foodstuffs are supplied without delay.

FALLACY OF DIRECT TRADING.

The *Metropolitan* (London) says:—

Some of our export houses are beginning to find that the official advocacy by the Board of Trade of direct dealings by British manufacturers with overseas consumers is telling upon the merchant trade, and will assuredly result in business being lost to this country. We have a batch of correspondence before us now bearing upon this matter. A London export merchant, firm with an overseas inquiry for certain steel materials, sent it forward in the ordinary way of business to the selling agents of the manufacturers who, in reply, informed the merchants that they were "not permitted" to quote intermediaries. The merchant firm in reply pointed out that they were direct shippers, and purchased for large foreign importing houses, domiciled abroad. This brought another letter from the selling agents, stating that their principals only permitted them to quote to "actual consumers," but adding that if the merchant firm cared to hand over the names of the overseas importers for whom they acted, they would see what could be done. Here for all practical purposes the matter ended, except that the order will follow a good many others to America.

As everyone knows, the importing houses abroad distribute material all over their respective countries at delivered prices in local currency, and frequently on extended credit. It is inconceivable that any manufacturer here can hope successfully to do this sort of business. The only practical method is for an overseas importing house to buy on c.i.f. terms from an export merchant house here which purchases direct from the makers, pays cash for the goods, also the freight and insurance, and which attends to all finance. This is the only economically sound way of doing the business. Were it not so, it would have died a natural death years ago.

We wonder if our official and private business theorists expect our manufacturers, of say, coccos or boot polish, to refuse export merchant orders and to supply the actual consumers with single tins.

PRINCE ANTONIO OF ORLEANS.

The newspaper *El So* announces that the Infante Antonio of Orleans by an Act of Renunciation has renounced his title of Infante of Spain and all the privileges pertaining thereto. He also renounces at the same time his family ties with the Spanish Royal House. The document is witnessed by two Italian personsage of high standing. Prince Antonio, Duke of Montpensier and Princess Louise, Infante of Spain, and sister of Queen Isabelle of Spain, was born at Seville in 1904. He married in 1906 Princess Eulalie.

BRITISH FLYING RECORDS.

In a series of flights, an Airen 9B biplane, with a 450 h.p. Napier "Lion" motor, piloted by Captain G. W. Gathorne-Lake, has flown at a speed of 149.43 miles an hour. In a test of 20 miles, flown in a series of closed circuits, the machine covered the distance at the average speed of 145.44 miles an hour. These flights, and the times for some intermediate distances, have been certified as new British speed records by the Royal Aero Club.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

THE FIRST WOMAN IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, December 2nd.

It has come to pass that a woman who is a lady by title and an alien by birth is the first of her sex to take her seat in the House of Commons. Lady Astor's return for Plymouth with the right to put the coveted letters "M.P." after her name has caused a mild sensation, especially among the old-fashioned Tory Members of the House. If it had come about through the agency of the Labour Party they would not have minded quite so much; but it is the Conservatives who put Lady Astor forward as the bearer of the Party colours. Thus a historic innovation in Parliamentary representation in the House of Commons has been directly due to the Party which is not usually enamoured of drastic change. That, however, is by the way. It only shows how very rapidly things move in these days after the war.

As a candidate Lady Astor proved an excellent fighter. She obtained a clear majority over both her opponents—Mr. Foot, representing the Independent Liberals, and Mr. Gay, the Labour nominee. Apart from anything else, that is an interesting fact to the student of politics. But of course the real interest in Lady Astor's return is that it denotes that the House of Commons is no longer the sacred domain of Man. Her ladyship has made good the claims of her sex to share in all the honours, rights, privileges, and traditions of the House. She is the first to venture into the Holy Land of Political Promises which had been the goal of achievement so eagerly desired by Suffragettes and other "reformers" for many years.

In relation to this subject it is necessary to guard against speaking of Lady Astor as the first woman to sit in Parliament. It is true that she is the first woman to sit in the House of Commons. But the House of Lords is part of Parliament, and there are ample proofs on record of summonses having been issued in bygone days to Peersess of the Realm to take their seats in the great Council of the Realm. Among these who were summoned in this way were certain abbesses at the head of great conventual houses, who, by virtue of their position and office, could claim the right to be consulted by the King.

The return of a woman to the House of Commons is sure to lead to many curious little conundrums. There is, for instance, the etiquette of the hat, which plays an important part in procedure. No doubt the new Member for Plymouth will get over the difficulty by always wearing hats in the House. Her difficulty would be if she did not wear her hat that she could not raise a point of order. After a division has been called a Member is expected to do this, no so seated, but in the habit of grabbing anybody's hat that was handy if he did not happen to have his own.

A lively campaign at Plymouth was a lively affair. Lady Astor's success was in dealing with the working-class in the constituency. To one interrupter at a meeting who said the would have no more interest in poor people after the poll, she retorted with warmth, "Come up here on the platform, you poor idiot. You want to take a rise out of me, but you cannot. I come from fighting stock." To another interrupter she replied, "The Labour Party are no more than a lot of men who are smoking the pipe out of his mouth. I am particular about manners," said she; "I don't allow my boy to keep on smoking when talking to a lady."

At a meeting on the eve of the poll a man shouted, "You will lose tomorrow, Astor. Quick as thought came her reply, 'Don't be impudent, my man, I will not call your wife's hat proper name.' This answer was received with cheers by the crowd; and it was this readiness of retort, and ability to give as good as she was offered in the way of bedinage, that won her the election.

YOUR COMPANY'S SHARE. Your readers will note with interest that the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company's report makes the announcement that, owing to the appreciation of the value of some of the assets, the directors consider the amount standing to the credit of the reserve funds will amount to approximately £200,000. The directors propose to increase the dividend of 1919, but this year there is to be no addition to the 15 per cent. However, on the appropriation to the reserve £200,000 is to be regarded as a substitute for the cash bonus. At the time of writing the full details of the report have not reached me, but a summary states that, after allowing for contingencies to the total extent of £200,000, and placing £200,000 to reserve, there is a credit balance of £261,257. The amount carried forward is £211,257, against £201,727 last year. The last addition to the reserve was £120,000 in 1918.

THE PREMIER'S "AT HOME."

Mr. Lloyd George's attendance in the House of Commons every Thursday to answer questions is becoming the event of the week at Westminster. The rule has been in operation for the last three Thursdays. Members refer to it as the Prime Minister's "At Home." During the war and while the Peace Treaty was in the making in Paris the Premier was unable to attend. Afterwards he was content to leave the control of Parliamentary business to Mr. Bonar Law. But there is nobody who can quite take the place of Mr. Lloyd George. The play of forces goes on ceaselessly in the House as a matter of course regardless of individuals, however eminent; but in the curious conditions which now prevail under the Coalition the proceedings in Parliament deprived of the Prime Minister's personality are very much like "Hamlet" without the Prince of Denmark.

Every Member desirous of appearing in the limelight, or with a bee in his bonnet, puts down some question for the Prime Minister to answer on Thursdays. Mr. Lloyd George is, however, too old a Parliamentary hand to be drawn by such tactics. He gives just as much information as he wants to give; and if he is pressed for more by adroitly worded supplementary questions he says he must have notice. Some private members show a disposition to stand up to the great little man, who, on his "At Home" days, however, is neither provocative nor to be provoked. The Prime Minister's attendance adds to the interest of politics, and it pleases the House. It is a tacit admission that Members collectively retain their control over the Executive.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

For some time the teachers in the State schools have been in a mood of serious discontent on the question of pay. There was talk of a strike to enforce their demands for a living wage. But imagine the bad example supposing children turned up one fine morning at school only to learn that their instructors had deserted the blackboard and discarded the birch! It would never do, and hence the appointment of a Special Committee representing the Education Department and the National Union of Teachers, with a mandate to explore the whole subject of salaries.

The Committee's recommendations have been published this week. No doubt they may be taken as representing a living standard of remuneration for brain workers, but at the same time I think it must be confessed that as the proposed scale for assistant teachers of two years' college training, only carries a salary which is 10/- per week less than the lowest recruit in the Police Force receives, and whose education may consist of no more than a smattering of "the three R's," there is room for thought. The most that a head teacher in the largest schools can hope for after many years' work is under £200 per annum.

We are constantly told that the future of the country depends to a large extent on the way the young of both sexes is taught; but the fact remains that a skilled artisan is able to earn as much as the ablest and most experienced men and women who are responsible for the intellectual training of British future citizens.

FIREWORK BONDS.

The House of Commons this week rejected by 275 votes against 84—an adverse majority of 191—the proposal that the State should authorise an issue of Premium Bonds. The Government allowed a free vote by calling off the Whips; and both the Chancellor and Mr. Bonar Law opposed the scheme, mainly on the ground of expediency. They did not agree that more than £10,000,000 could be raised in this way, and that sum would not serve to straighten out our present financial difficulties. But, on the other hand, they did not say where the money the Chancellor will require in a few months, in order to balance revenue and expenditure, is to come from. And, as what the country desires to know, it is the argument that has been widely used by the advocates of Prize Bonds.

Perhaps the result of the debate would have been different if Mr. Horatio Bottomley, who moved the motion for the Bonds in the House, and his friends, had not advertised beforehand that they were going to get the measure through Parliament. The publicity they gave to their campaign aroused in the country considerable elements in the country who believe such schemes immoral. The Churches mobilised to defeat the proposal. All the "antis" who regard horse-racing as an invention of the devil, said so no difference between a gamble at Newmarket and Premium Bonds, came out in full cry against the Bonds. This line of opposition was reflected in the speeches in the House.

The new *Times* writer on Parliamentary topics, who signs himself "A Student of Politics" (known in journalism as Mr. Sticksbottom), recently on the *Unitarian* (*Unitarian*) wrote the Chancellor with "straddling" between the ethical and the financial positions during the debate. Mr. Chamberlain gave the impression that, although he deprecated Prize Bonds as a Puritan should, he would perhaps have swallowed his dislike if the return in hard cash were certain and imposing. But the total amount that would, or could, be obtained is one of the things that can only be proved by actual experience; and in the result the proposal was voted down, much to the regret of a very large body of opinion in the country.—H.B.

CANTON NEWS.

January 16th.

For the fourth time yesterday there was no quorum at the Constitutional Convention owing to the continued absence of the "minority members" who refuse to recognise the legality of the decision on the question of Civil Government. After patiently waiting for two hours in the Convention Hall for the absent members the "majority members" called an informal meeting to discuss the deadlock, but no decision was reached. An appeal has been issued to the minority members to lose no time in carrying out the deliberations as it has been decided to finish the work on the Constitution on or before February 15th. It is feared that, as the Chinese New Year approaches, some of the M.P.s will return to their homes in the provinces and the work of the Constitutional Convention, if not finish before that time, will never be finished—in Canton at any rate. It is stated that the minority members have joined a clique called the Ching Hok-wui, of which Shum Chun-huen, the chief Administrative Director of the Military Government, and Yeung Wing-tai, the Treasurer, are the principal leaders. Other M.P.s have recently decided to repeat the demand for the dismissal of Shum, and the reorganisation of the Military Government.

STUDENTS' AGITATIONS.

The committee appointed by the Teachers' Union to investigate the cause of the strike of the students of the Government Law School, the Normal School for girls, and the First Primary School, have reported that the newly appointed principal of the Law School (Ho Lai-may) graduated in Japan and is qualified to hold the position offered to him by the Civil Governor. They consider the treatment accorded to him by the students as unfair. The objection of the girl students of the Normal School to their new principal (Miss Ho Chi-fan) has been upheld on the ground that the new Principal has not, in the Committee's opinion, the necessary educational qualifications. The teachers have decided to request the Civil Governor to reinstate the former principals of the Normal School for girls and the First Primary School.

PEACE ENVOY TO PARIS.

Dr. Wong Ching-tung, one of the peace envoys to Paris, is expected to arrive at Hongkong on or about January 20th. The Committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and the members of the Y.M.C.A. in Hongkong have arranged to entertain Dr. Wong on his arrival at Hongkong when he will be asked to give details of the work of the Paris Conference. The people in Canton are also preparing a reception, and it has been proposed to erect two arches at the station of the Canton-Kowloon Railway and the Tin Tin wharf. A meeting will also be held in the Tung Yuen garden.

THE BLOODEST RANSOM.

The son of the Kwangsi Civil Governor, who was carried away by robbers in Hohow (of Samshui) a few days ago while on his way to Wuchow, is said to have been ransomed for the sum of \$40,000.

THE ITALIAN FLYING CORPS.

In regard to the visit of the Italian Flying Corps to Canton the authorities have been informed that the Corps will visit Canton about the beginning of February.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DISCOUNT ON BANK NOTES.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—There is again a discount on bank notes. If one wants change for a \$10 bill at the money-changer's, one has to pay as much as 24 cents. If the Government has removed the embargo on export of subsidiary coins, I think it is about time to put it on again.—Yours, etc.,

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Hongkong, January 16th.

WOLVES ON FANLING GOLF COURSE.

Yesterday morning at 7 a.m. as a member of the Golf Club was on his way to shoot partridges on the Fanling Hills he saw two large grey wolves on the hill. They leaped off the Fanling village, and, judging from the shouts of the villagers, they raised some consternation there!

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DAYLIGHT AT WILL. REMARKABLE INVENTION OF ARTIST.

A demonstration was given on November 25th at the Royal Society of Arts by Mr. L. C. Martin, of the possibilities of a discovery by Mr. George Sheringham, the artist, in the direction of producing artificial daylight. It was demonstrated how nearly the light curves in the spectrum of the Sheringham light approximated those of real daylight from a north window. The exhibition was followed with interest by the members of the Illuminating Engineering Society, and at the close Mr. A. P. F. Trotter, the President, intimated that discussion would be deferred to a future meeting.

The light was invented some six or eight months ago by Mr. Sheringham, who has been using it since in the painting of pictures, which were shown at the Leicester Galleries. In conversation, a Morning Post representative was informed that the artist had demonstrated the usefulness of his invention by carrying on his work, irrespective of the weather, right through the day and on occasions during the night. Mr. Sheringham acquired the name of the "Sheringham Light" from the fact that he had demonstrated the usefulness of his invention by carrying on his work, irrespective of the weather, right through the day and on occasions during the night. These friends assisted him to put the discovery to scientific tests, and see how closely it approximated to real daylight. The results were thought to be so promising that it was considered the invention held possibilities as a commercial undertaking.

The discovery, it is claimed, will be of great service to arts and industries which hitherto it has been possible to carry on efficiently only under natural light. As a matter of fact, Mr. Martin remarked that such opportunities for the use of the light seemed to arise practically every day. The dyeing and textile trades, photographic reproduction in colour, and colour printing, particularly the three-colour block process, are among trades which, it is maintained, may derive considerable advantage from the use of the new light, though being able to continue work independent of the available hours of daylight, which their operations require.

Owing to the excess of rays of longer wave length, that is to say, red and yellow rays, the colours are rendered under artificial light with too warm a tinge. In the past, artificial light has been well worked out by numbers of people, including Ives and Luckiesh, so that it was possible, knowing the particular action of the pigments employed, for the investigators in the present instance to calculate exactly what relative proportion of various pigments to use in the reflector, in order to correct the artificial light. The Sheringham lamp has been designed to create a light which gives the true quality of daylight, so far as the distribution of intensity in the spectrum of the light is concerned. The apparatus resembles an indirect light fitting, so producing a diffused kind of light, such as would come from a window, and thus possessing an advantage over a unit making use of a small bright source, like a naked filament.

The lamp or lamp attachment makes use of a coloured reflector for correcting the distribution of energy in the spectrum of the artificial source. Mr. Sheringham, at the outset, used simple coloured reflectors or shades of red, artificial sources, and found the quality of the light for painting immensely improved. The possibilities of the system have been to some extent worked out by Mr. Martin, the requisite distribution of colours being calculated on spectro-photometric measurements of pigments, made by means of Abney's colour-patch apparatus. It has been necessary in general to make use of arrangements to reflect the whole of the light from the coloured surface, thus producing a type of direct lighting unit.

Y.M.C.A. FINANCE

THREE-QUARTERS OF A MILLION DEFICIT.

The Young Men's Christian Association is faced with a present deficit of over £200,000, with a prospect of a deficit balance at the end of the year of nearly three-quarters of a million. It has been entailed as a consequence of war work, and a national campaign has been opened. This situation was revealed at a luncheon given by Sir Henry Mollison at the Cannon-street Hotel recently. Mr. J. J. Virgo, honorary campaign director, stated that the Young Men's Christian Association was solvent at the time of the armistice, but in November of this year it was over half a million pounds overdrawn. That was primarily because the public ceased to subscribe money immediately the armistice was signed. In the ten months after the armistice £200,000 less was contributed to the Young Men's Christian Association than in a similar period in the previous year. This was in the face of the fact that the military and the Government had insisted upon the continuance of the work and its extension into Germany, Russia, and other places. The Young Men's Christian Association, said Mr. Virgo, had delivered the goods and filled the place it was expected to fill, and yet it was now handicapped because it did not get the bank account of its war work. During the war the Young Men's Christian Association saved six millions of men. The amount of money contributed by the public in support of that work did not represent 2s. per man of those six millions.

Lord Askwith, acting hon. treasurer of the Young Men's Christian Association, said that since the armistice they had followed a severe policy of retrenchment. France, Belgium, Palestine, India, and Egypt all made demands upon the Young Men's Christian Association. They had stores of goods left upon their hands, tons of them unsaleable. There were tons of mince meat for the Christmas puddings for the troops, and for these they had to cultivate a taste among the Chinese. (Laughter.)

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